

Docket: PA471

CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claims 1-56 (Previously canceled)

57. (Currently Amended) A mobile communications device comprising:
a flip comprising a keypad and a keypad lighting circuit;
a body connected to the flip by a hinge;
a pin contact having a conductance dependent on the position of the flip relative to the body, the body comprising a multiplexing circuit configured to alternate between connecting a power supply to the keypad lighting circuit and connecting the keypad to a ~~microprocessor computer~~ through the pin contact at a rate allowing a connection to the keypad lighting circuit to appear continuous to a user.

58. (Cancelled)

59. (Currently Amended) A mobile communications device in accordance with claim ~~58~~ 57, wherein the rate is greater than 30 HZ.

60. (Previously Added) A mobile communications device in accordance with claim 59, wherein the rate is approximately 60 Hz.

61. (Currently Amended) A mobile communications device in accordance with claim 57, the multiplexing circuit comprising:

a timer;
a ~~bypassing circuit transistor~~ connected to an output of the timer, the ~~bypassing circuit transistor~~ configured to bypass a ~~pull-up~~ resistor to a high voltage in response to a state of the output to provide a voltage at the pin contact alternating between a high voltage and a low voltage.